

# Health News Release

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#### State revokes, suspends licenses, certifications, registrations of health care providers

**OLYMPIA** -- The Washington State Department of Health has revoked or suspended the licenses, certifications, or registrations of health care providers in our state. The department has also immediately suspended the credentials of people who have been prohibited from practicing in other states.

The department's Health Systems Quality Assurance Division works with boards, commissions and advisory committees to set licensing standards for more than 80 health care professions (e.g., medical doctors, nurses, counselors).

Information about health care providers is on the agency's website. Click on "Look up a health care provider license" in the "How Do I?" section of the Department of Health home page (doh.wa.gov). The site includes information about a health care provider's license status, the expiration and renewal date of their credential, disciplinary actions and copies of legal documents issued after July 1998. This information is also available by calling 360-236-4700. Consumers who think a health care provider acted unprofessionally are also encouraged to call and report their complaint.

# **Asotin County**

In August 2015 the Nursing Assistant Program charged certified nursing assistant **Pearl Ann Martinez** (NC10033715) with unprofessional conduct and immediately suspended her credential. The state Department of Social and Health Services found that Martinez mentally abused a vulnerable adult.

#### **Benton County**

In July 2015 the Massage Program entered an agreement with massage practitioner **Fiona Lu Hearne** (MA60266867) that indefinitely suspends her credential. In 2013 Hearne relinquished her Florida license because she submitted inadequate and potentially false information with her application to practice in that state.

#### **Chelan County**

In August 2015 the Pharmacy Commission entered an agreement with pharmacy technician

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**Tabitha M. Fabian** (VA00041714) that indefinitely suspends her credential. She admitted diverting controlled substances for her own use from the pharmacy where she worked. In 2015 Fabian was convicted of first-degree theft, and unlawful possession of a controlled substance — hydrocodone.

In July 2015 the secretary of health suspended the credential of certified nursing assistant **Lana Kay Valentine** (NC10021512) for at least two years. The state Department of Social and Health Services found Valentine neglected six vulnerable adult residents at the adult family home where she worked. She didn't give them their medications and an evening meal, and didn't take residents to the restroom in a timely manner. She can't be employed in caring for or having unsupervised access to vulnerable adults.

In August 2015 the secretary of health indefinitely suspended the registered nursing assistant and certified nursing assistant credentials of **Brooke Marie Smith** (NA60128749, NC60486677). Smith left the adult family home where she worked before her shift ended. She abandoned and neglected the vulnerable adults in her care. The state Department of Social and Health Services will not allow her to be employed in caring for or having unsupervised access to vulnerable adults.

#### **Clallam County**

In August 2015 the secretary of health immediately suspended the registered nursing assistant and certified nursing assistant credentials of **Amanda Jean Mays** (NA60138728, NC60534193). In 2014 the state Department of Social and Health services determined that Mays physically abused a vulnerable adult. She can't be employed in caring for or having unsupervised access to vulnerable adults.

#### **Clark County**

In July 2015 the secretary of health charged mental health counselor **Kerrin Lane Houser** (LH60152268) with unprofessional conduct and immediately suspended her credential. Houser's licensed professional counselor credential in Oregon was revoked in June 2015.

## **Island County**

In July 2015 the secretary of health suspended the certified nursing assistant credential of **Felicia Ann Paul** (NC60191111) for at least three years. She stole cash from a resident at a facility where she worked.

#### **King County**

In July 2015 the secretary of health permanently revoked the certified home care aide credential of **Janet Afua Azanor** (HM60333946). A registered nursing assistant credential Azanor received under the name Christina Amonoo was suspended in 2015.

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In August 2015 the Pharmacy Commission suspended the pharmacy technician credential of **Julian Maes** (VA00057023) for at least five years. Maes diverted narcotics from the pharmacy where he worked and sold the drugs.

# **Kittitas County**

In July 2015 the Physical Therapy Board entered an agreement with physical therapy assistant **Brian Wayne Bush** (P160229400) that permanently revokes his credential. Bush inappropriately touched three patients and spoke inappropriately to one of them. Following treatment of a fourth patient, Bush held her hand while making conversation and told her she should look up his 21-year-old son, saying, "You two would really hit it off."

# **Pierce County**

In August 2015 the Nursing Commission indefinitely suspended the registered nurse credential of **Tamara Rae Bradley** (RN60019412), who didn't comply with a requirement to participate in a substance abuse monitoring program.

In July 2015 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program indefinitely suspended the chemical dependency professional credential of **Tamara J. Brantley** (CP60029637), who didn't comply with a substance abuse monitoring program.

In August 2015 the Chiropractic Commission entered an agreement with chiropractor **Thomas Anthony Velickoff** (CH00034710) under which he surrendered his credential. Velickoff touched a patient's pubic area, breasts, and buttocks without discussing, explaining, or documenting a clinical need.

In August 2015 the Nursing Commission conducted a hearing and then dismissed all charges against registered nurse and advanced registered nurse practitioner **Jillian Trecia Edwards** (RN00165904, AP60242646).

## **Skagit County**

In August 2015 the secretary of health denied the application of **Christina Lynn Buckley** (NC60048494) to reactivate her certified nursing assistant credential and suspended her for at least five years. Buckley admitted stealing and using a bank card, and using methamphetamine. In 2015 she was permitted to participate in drug court.

# **Spokane County**

In July 2015 the secretary of health suspended the registered nursing assistant and certified nursing assistant credentials of **Richard D. Logerwell** (NA60415151, NC60454837) for at least three years. While working as a home health aide, Logerwell stole a rifle from a 93-year-old client's residence and pawned it for about \$550.

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In May 2015 the Pharmacy Commission suspended the pharmacy assistant and pharmacy technician credentials of **Angela Linscott** (VB60294723, VA60358341) for at least one year. Linscott admitted diverting drugs for her own use from the pharmacy where she worked.

In August 2015 the secretary of health suspended the certified nursing assistant credential of **Lisa A. Rice** (NC10097858) for at least five years. Rice worked at a nursing home. She threatened to drop a resident out of a transfer lift if he didn't stop screaming, and struck another resident in the face with a pillow. The state Department of Social and Health Services will not allow her to be employed in caring for or having unsupervised access to vulnerable adults.

# **Walla Walla County**

In August 2015 the secretary of health suspended the certified nursing assistant credential of **Jake C. Rex** (NC60130719) for at least one year. Rex, who worked at a senior living facility, taunted a dementia patient while another worker used a cellular telephone to record the incident.

# **Whatcom County**

In August 2015 the secretary of health suspended the registered nursing assistant credential of **Dwayne Ennis Henry** (NA60352115) for at least three years. In 2013 he was convicted of third-degree assault – domestic violence.

#### **Out of State**

**Arizona:** In June 2014 the Medical Commission charged physician assistant **Erin Lane Moffett** (PA60275063) with unprofessional conduct and immediately suspended her credential. Her Arizona license was restricted, and she didn't abide by a substance abuse monitoring program.

**Georgia:** In August 2015 the Nursing Commission dismissed charges against registered nurse **Lynnette Stevens** (RN60295646).

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